produced early in the season were either not infested or yielded only 1 to 3 adults, which, assuming two seeds were injured by each larva, and an average of 72 mature seeds per spike, would represent a 3 to 9 percent seed reduction in infested spikes. The impact this weevil could exert on plantain stands is further diluted by adaptations of the plant. The seed remains viable when buried in soil for several years, and it is a perennial plant that can reproduce by crown expansion (Gilkey, 1957, Warren, 1957).

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A new journal, Oriental Insects, has been founded to enable entomologists engaged in the study of the insect fauna of south and southeastern Asia to publish their results in one place. The scope of the journal is broad, covering many areas of insect study. It is anticipated to be a quarterly of about 100 pages. Rates to individuals \$7.00 per year, to institutions, \$10.00. Write Dr. V. K. Gupta, Dept. of Zoology, Univ. of Delhi, Delhi-7, India.—N.M.D.